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THE PRESIDENT OF THE GEORGIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

At a recent meeting the curators of the Georgia Historical Society, Major Wm. W. Gordon, of Savannah, was elected to the presidency of the Society. The managing editor of the Georgia Historical Quarterly desires to congratulate the Society upon its good fortune in securing the services of Major Gordon.

The following comment appeared in the Savannah Press of Dec. 22, 1922.

"The election of Mr. W. W. Gordon to the presidency of the Georgia Historical Society means much for that organization. Mr. Gordon is an enthusiast about libraries. He has worked in libraries in New York, Washington, and in the British Museum. He is convinced that the splendid storehouse of historical and valuable volumes in this city should be made available to the people, and speaks confidently of making the library on Gaston street really an addendum to the Public Library on Bull street.

"The Georgia Historical Society not only publishes a quarterly review, assembling valuable papers and preserving useful information, but houses in its collection old and valuable publications which are not always appreciated or enjoyed by the people. There cannot be too many libraries in Savannah, and the Historical Society is really more convenient to the business part of town than the Public Library in the southern part of the city.

"Mr. Gordon, not only as a director of the Public Library but as president of the Georgia Historical Society, is able to develop his ideas about making the latter an auxiliary and annex of the circulating library on thirty-sixth street. In the circumstances no better selection could have been made. He will occupy the place of president, not as an empty honor, but as a real working factor, and we are convinced that he will develop the important possessions

of the Georgia Historical Society as a real asset to Savannah and to the State.

"Hodgson Hall, the home of the Georgia Historical Society on Gaston and Whitaker streets, will be opened for use as a branch of the Public Library, according to Major W. W. Gordon, president of the Georgia Historical Society and member of the Public Library board.

"The large hall of the Historical Society is not being used by the public even though the need of a public reading hall is felt in this populated residence section,' said Major Gordon. 'By having a branch of the library we could open the large hall and serve the people of this section by putting them in contact with the books and periodicals of the large library.'

"The library of the Georgia Historical Society will also be open to the public.

"By opening two such sub-stations in the city the Public Library has already served a larger public and the opening of Hodgson Hall addition is hailed with interest. One sub-station already opened is in the Y. M. C. A. building and the other is on Waters avenue.

"The scope of a resolution to be presented at the library board meeting this evening is that a direct messenger service be maintained between the Public Library and the branch libraries thus insuring prompt service.

"According to the authorities of the Georgia State Historical Society Hodgson Hall has always been accessible. The public has not shown interest and with the opening of the branch it is hoped that it will attract the reading public that will avail themselves of the advantages offered."